

Largest Employers in Taylor County

These employers provide nearly
2 in every 3 jobs in the county

Employer Name

Weather Shield Mfg Inc
Kraft Pizza Co - Tombstone Pizza
Marathon Cheese Corp
Memorial Health Center Inc
Hurd Millwork Co Inc
Medford Public School District
Adecco USA Inc
Phillips Plastics Corp
County of Taylor
Medford Coop Inc
School District of Gilman
Mid-Wisconsin Bank
Prochnow Transport Inc
James Peterson Sons Inc
Copp's IGA Food Center
J Bauer Trucking Inc
Great Northern Cabinetry Inc
Beverly Hlth & Rehab. (Rib Lake Health)
City of Medford-Taylor Co
Kelly Services Inc
Fidelity National Bank
K-Mart Corp
B & B Engineering Corp
McDonald's
Black River Industries Inc
Drangle Foods Inc
Zastrow Care Center Inc
Enerquip Inc
Jourdan Trucking Inc
Wadal Plastics Inc
John S Olynick Inc
School District of Rib Lake
Medford Cafe Inc
WI Department of Agriculture
Maple Island Inc

Product or Service

Wood Window & Door Mfg
Frozen Specialty Food Mfg
Dairy Prod.(not Dried-Canned) Whlsrs
Off. of Physicians (except Mental Hlth)
Wood Window & Door Mfg
Elementary & Secondary Schools
Temporary Help Services
All Other Plastics Product Mfg
Executive & Legis. Offices, Combined
Gas Stations w/Convenience Stores
Elementary & Secondary Schools
Commercial Banking
Gen.Frght.Trckg, Lng-Distance, Trckld
Highway, Street, & Bridge Construction
Sprmrkts/Othr Groc.(not Conv) Stores
Gen. Frght Trckg, Lng-Dist, not a Trckld
Wood Kitchen Cabinet/Countertop Mfg
Nursing Care Facilities
Executive & Legis. Offices, Combined
Temporary Help Services
Commercial Banking
Discount Department Stores
Other Millwork
Limited-Service Restaurants
Vocational Rehabilitation Services
Cheese Mfg
Nursing Care Facilities
Power Boiler & Heat Exchanger Mfg
Gen.Frght.Trckg, Lng-Distance, Trckld
All Other Plastics Product Mfg
Construction Sand & Gravel Mining
Elementary & Secondary Schools
Full-Service Restaurants
Reg. of Agri.Marketing & Commodities
Dry/Condensed/Evap. Dairy Prod. Mfg

Source: WI DWD, Unemployment Compensation file, June 2003

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Job Centers in Northwest Wisconsin

WI Job Center-Ashland
411 Ellis Av
Ashland WI 54806
715-682-7220

Burnett Co Job Center
7410 Co. Rd. K #280
Siren WI 54872
715-349-2150

WI Job Center-Hayward
15618 Windrose Lane
Hayward WI 54843
715-634-7545

WI Job Center-Ladysmith
108 W Second St. North
Ladysmith WI 54848
715-532-2700

WI Job Center-Medford
624 E College Av
Medford WI 54451
715-748-5621

WI Job Center-Phillips
1408 Pine Ridge Rd.
Phillips WI 54555
715-339-7255
Park Falls Partner Off.
400 S 4th Av
Park Falls WI 54552
715-762-2477

WI Job Center-Spooner
522 Service Rd Hwy 70 E
Spooner WI 54801
715-635-2175

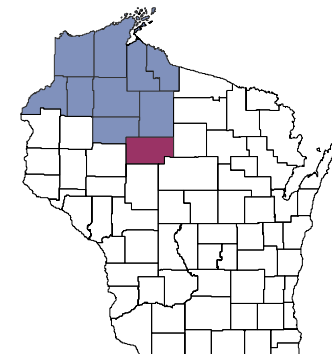
WI Job Center-Superior
1805 North 14th St.
Superior WI 54880
715-392-7800

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TAYLOR COUNTY

LABOR MARKET

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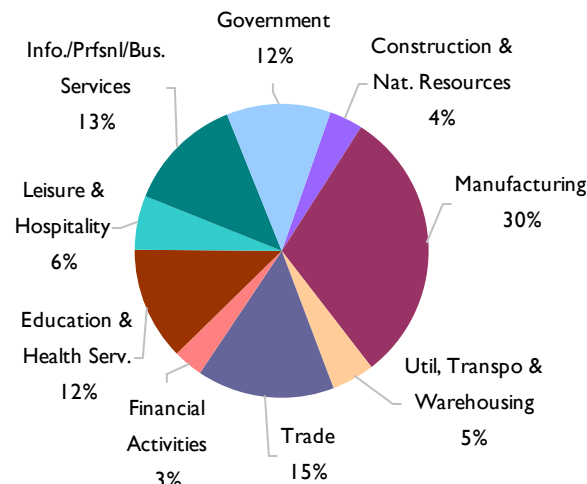
Taylor County...

is one of ten counties in the Northwest Wisconsin Workforce Development Area. The area has a long association with logging and tourism and some of those characteristics are shared by Taylor County.

Over half the manufacturing jobs in the county are directly related to wood products, but another 25 percent are related to food products. The concentration of manufacturing jobs in the county is among the highest in the state and one

of the reasons the list of top occupations includes 16 production occupations and the list of largest employers includes 12 manufacturers. Two-thirds of the jobs, however, are in other industry sectors where annual average wages in 2002 were less than the annual average wage for manufacturing employment of \$31,171. Overall the annual average wage from all employers was \$26,350 and was 81 percent of the average for all workers in the state of \$32,422.

Employment by Industry in Taylor County: 2003



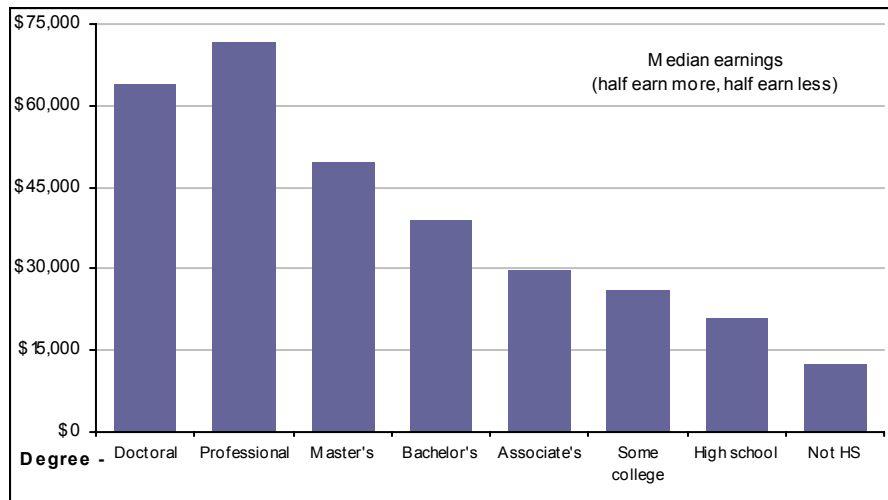
Occupations in demand in Northwest Wisconsin

	Top Ten Occupations	Education & Training Typically Required*	Average Wage**
Fastest Growth	Computer Scientists, NEC	Bachelor's degree	\$ 15.26
	Urban & Regional Planners	Master's degree	\$ 23.09
	Legal Assistants, NEC	Associate degree	\$ 13.99
	Life Sciences Teachers	Doctor's degree	\$ 46,900
	Merchandise Displayers	1-12 mo. on-the-job trng.	NA
	Sales Reps/Salespersons	Bachelor's degree	\$ 19.03
	Loan Interviewers	1-month or less training	\$ 11.49
	Reservation & Ticket Agts	1-month or less training	\$ 9.74
	Baggage Porters/Bellhops	1-month or less training	NA
	Funeral Attendants	1-month or less training	\$ 9.71
Most Openings	Cashiers	1-month or less training	\$ 7.54
	Waiters & Waitresses	1-month or less training	\$ 6.59
	Food Prep/Fast Food Wrkr	1-month or less training	\$ 7.21
	Retail Salespersons	1-month or less training	\$ 9.25
	Office Clerks, General	1-month or less training	\$ 9.72
	Food Prep. Workers	1-month or less training	\$ 7.74
	General Mgrs/Top Execs	Work exp. plus degree	\$ 32.04
	Teachers, Secondary Ed	Bachelor's degree	\$ 39,940
	Truck Drivers, Heavy	Vocational training	\$ 15.21
	Nursing Aides/Orderlies	1-month or less trng.	\$ 9.38

* The most common way to enter the occupation, not the only way

** Wages from balance-of-state for northwestern counties, 2002

National Median Annual Earnings by Education: 2001



Source: US Census Bureau, Current Population Surveys, March 2001

Wages for 40 Occupations with the most workers

in the labor market area including Barron, Burnett, Clark, Rusk, and Taylor counties. These counties are grouped because 1) they share similar employment and wages AND 2) together met the minimum standard of 40,000 jobs needed to publish wage information. Hourly wage data was collected from local employers in 2002.

Nearly half of all jobs in this area are in the occupations on this list!

Occupation (ranked by employment)	Lowest 10% Wage*	Average/ hour	Middle range* *
Retail Salespersons	\$5.94	\$10.20	\$6.80 – \$12.23
Cashiers	\$5.77	\$7.36	\$6.33 – \$8.29
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	\$10.46	\$16.45	\$12.60 – \$20.38
Packers & Packagers, Hand	\$6.64	\$10.13	\$8.26 – \$11.39
Janitors & Cleaners, Except Maids & Hskpg. Cleaners	\$6.39	\$9.75	\$7.54 – \$11.59
Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education		\$40,569 (Annual average wage)	
Combined Food Prep./Serving Workers, Incl. Fast Food	\$5.46	\$6.40	\$5.80 – \$6.86
Laborers & Freight, Stock, & Material Movers, Hand	\$6.84	\$10.85	\$8.67 – \$13.14
Bookkeeping, Accounting, & Auditing Clerks	\$8.87	\$11.62	\$9.60 – \$13.21
Team Assemblers	\$7.39	\$11.14	\$9.31 – \$13.27
Nursing Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	\$7.82	\$9.69	\$8.70 – \$10.77
Office Clerks, General	\$6.93	\$10.37	\$8.68 – \$12.16
Teacher Assistants		\$18,029 (Annual average wage)	
Stock Clerks & Order Fillers	\$5.99	\$8.40	\$6.60 – \$9.97
Helpers--Production Workers	\$7.04	\$11.89	\$9.77 – \$13.80
General & Operations Managers	\$14.64	\$32.50	\$19.99 – \$41.85
Registered Nurses	\$16.22	\$21.40	\$18.21 – \$24.41
Maintenance & Repair Workers, General	\$9.92	\$14.63	\$12.34 – \$16.93
Construction Laborers	\$8.77	\$13.68	\$11.77 – \$14.91
1st-Line Supervisors/Mngrs. of Prod./Operating Workers	\$12.05	\$19.07	\$14.64 – \$22.35
Food Preparation Workers	\$6.04	\$7.67	\$6.71 – \$8.48
Cabinetmakers & Bench Carpenters	\$8.89	\$11.89	\$9.51 – \$14.92
Production Workers, All Other	\$8.27	\$13.67	\$10.93 – \$16.25
Personal & Home Care Aides	\$6.36	\$7.95	\$7.36 – \$8.63
Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, & Executive	\$7.71	\$10.95	\$9.39 – \$12.65
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, & Weighers	\$6.12	\$10.13	\$6.73 – \$12.78
Executive Secretaries & Administrative Assistants	\$7.85	\$12.83	\$9.68 – \$15.17
Carpenters	\$9.11	\$14.47	\$12.12 – \$16.29
Machinists	\$11.07	\$15.06	\$12.87 – \$17.08
1st-Line Supervisors/Mngrs. of Retail Sales Workers	\$8.55	\$15.48	\$10.65 – \$17.02
Automotive Service Technicians & Mechanics	\$8.30	\$12.80	\$9.66 – \$15.48
Receptionists & Information Clerks	\$6.52	\$9.95	\$7.79 – \$12.28
Cutt/Punch/Press Mach. Setters/Ops/Tendr, Mtl.-Plastic	\$9.91	\$13.39	\$11.62 – \$15.50
Bus Drivers, School	\$8.79	\$10.02	\$9.47 – \$10.83
Packaging & Filling Machine Operators & Tenders	\$6.07	\$9.39	\$6.72 – \$12.10
Sales Reps, Whsl. & Mfg., Except Tech./Scientific Prod.	\$10.41	\$18.83	\$12.86 – \$21.17
Shipping, Receiving, & Traffic Clerks	\$7.35	\$10.94	\$8.74 – \$13.00
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, & Brazers	\$9.43	\$12.94	\$10.58 – \$14.73
Home Health Aides	\$7.22	\$8.39	\$7.79 – \$9.08
Industrial Truck & Tractor Operators	\$8.79	\$11.86	\$10.11 – \$13.53

* only 10% of wages are lower

**middle 50% of wages (25% are lower and 25% are higher)